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PROSPERITY HERE

Roy and Vicinity Bound to Become One of The Most Thriving Communities in New Mexico.

Whether it was prayer, or need or merely the natural working out of atmospheric conditions that brought it, the rains of last week and this, were one of the most welcome things that have visited this section for some time.

Farmers, stockmen and property owners in Roy and vicinity all welcomed the noise that the showers made and rejoiced in unison.

Where are the croakers now?

If the few people that left here for the sake of trying to better their conditions, were here now and could see broad smiles worn by those they left behind, their pessimism would be gone, the future would look bright and they would don the broad smiles and be happy like the rest of us.

A good many of these people will probably return in the fall to harvest their crops—crops they did not expect to get, and remain here, being wiser and better prepared to stand a little adversity than when they left.

Everybody is up and doing, the sound of the hammer and the buzz of the saw is heard in all directions, the grass and other crops are growing nicely, and the merchants are all doing a flourishing business. Everything tends to show that the future of Roy and vicinity is indeed bright.

There is no better soil in Uncle Sam's domain, and those who cast their lot with us will surely be rewarded with a good home, happiness and contentment.

On His Rounds.

A representative of the Spanish-American had the pleasure of being shown through the large store of the Floersheim Mercantile Co. at this place one day last week.

This company has five large stores in the territory and is incorporated. The Big Store at this place has an immense amount invested in buildings and stocks and carry as near a complete line of everything as any store in the Southwest, and do a large wholesale as well as a retail business.

The buildings consist of a large three story stone and iron building, where they carry a complete line of ladies' and gent's furnishings, dry goods, groceries, hardware, furniture, carpets, rugs, etc. The basement is loaded with all kinds of eatables. An elevator has recently been installed to convey goods from the basement which adds greatly to their conveniences. Also a large hay, grain and feed warehouse, a large wholesale storage house, wagon and farm implement sheds, lumber yard, coal yard and other smaller buildings used as storage houses.

This year alone the firm has sold and distributed over eight cars of seeds, and are the largest buyers and shippers of wool and hides in the country. Everything is purchased in car load lots thus enabling them to get low prices as well as a cheap freight rate.

Mr. Goodman should be given much credit for the successful management of this extensive establishment.

Hard Knock.

The Moquero Monitor, owned and controlled by the Moquero Publishing Co., in one of its articles of June 20th tried to hand Roy a package about spending such a large amount of money trying to secure water for the townsite, and stated that it was a failure. Roy has a city well at a depth of 338 feet with plenty of good water to supply the town, and a number of wells in the vicinity from 18 to 100 feet with a sufficient amount for domestic use.

We cannot say anything in regard to the well at Moquero as we never heard of it until recently, but will say if the well is not sufficient to quench the thirst of the people who will be there on the excursion days, we will be glad to divide with them.

We invite the editor to get on his cow pony and ride up and give us a visit and see for himself.

Attend Institute.

Teachers are requested to attend Institute if they desire to teach school in Mora county.

The county school superintendent of this county has sent us a notice, that Teachers' Institute will be held at Wagon Mound on the 17th of August, which can be found elsewhere in our paper.

The teachers who desire to teach in this county, must attend the Institute. The laws of 1907, chapter 97, section 6, make it compulsory for teachers to attend institute if they expect to teach school in the county.

The Greatest Democrat.

The great emperor of democracy is no more.

He who alone was able to interrupt the great succession of republican victories which, save for his terms, has stretched unbroken over a period of fifty years, is but the elements from which he sprung.

Grover Cleveland was the greatest d-mocrat of them all.

In the death of Grover Cleveland America has lost one of the truly great men of the age, the republican party has lost a sensible and worthy foe and democracy is without its most sane and intelligent leader.

Different Views.

An eastern editor says a man got into trouble by marrying two wives. A western editor says that many men have done the same thing by marrying one. A northern editor says that a number of his friends found trouble by merely promising to marry without going any farther. A southern editor says a friend of his was bothered enough when he was simply found in company with another man's wife.

Miraculous.

A conductor on the Gila Monster Railway in southern Arizona is being sued by a young woman because he wouldn't stop the train when her Merry Widow hat blew out the window. Aside from the ethics of the situation it is hard to see how a horrid man could be so cruel. The baffling mystery, however, is how the hat got through the window.

When in need of job printing give us a call.

THE BOYS RETURN

After an Absence of Nearly Two Weeks The Surveying Party Returns Well and Hearty.

A. S. Bushkevitz's party of surveyors consisting of Dr. Brown, "Lem" Brown, John Turner, Will Strickland and Floyd Ogden, returned from their sojourn in the mountains late Sunday afternoon looking wild and wooly.

From their appearance the mountain barbers evidently made no great sum off of this crowd. Barring little misfortunes like break-downs and loosing trails the boys all report an excellent trip, and are very enthusiastic about the green valleys of the Ocate. Alfalfa and corn waving in the breeze was a sight worth seeing.

The country around Ocate had also suffered from the drouth and had it not been for the hospitality of Mr. Valdez, a big sheep man, they would have suffered for horse feed. He would sell no feed, yet he would feed their horses. While there the boys attended a party given by him in honor of his daughter's return from college. Mr. Valdez evidently has a warm spot in their hearts.

They also visited old Fort Union, once a protection and refuge for the travelers of the Santa Fe trail, but now a refuge for snakes, bats and eagles. The boys registered their names in the prison below those who had once occupied it.

The only night it stormed they were lucky enough to find a shanty in a mountain pass, and although the owner was rather persistent about vacation they managed to keep possession until morning.

It was a good bear country and some of the crowd were veteran bear hunters. However, there was no "b-a-a-r" brought into camp either dead or alive.

The only thing they brought home relative to a bear was the appetite. They say they eat anything and everything from wild duck stews to burned beans. Most of the bears were killed around the camp fires at night.

The Shrewd Farmer.

What a happy and contented creature the farmer now must be who was too busy to market his hogs during the grand rush when everybody was hurrying in his porkers before the bottom should drop clear out of the provision market! At the time, doubtless, he bemoaned his fate and said things well calculated to corrupt the morals of the hogs because circumstances had so toyed with him. Now he is posing among his neighbors as a man of superior judgment and telling them that he knew all the while hogs were going up. The farmer is not the only one who feels that he is shrewder than his fellows the moment good luck tosses something at him.

Not in Oregon.

In Oregon now a candidate for public office can not ask a friend to vote for him, can not treat a constituent on election day, can not give a campaign button to his friend, can not say untruthful things about his opponent. That looks like an attempt to reduce the campaign to a Sunday school basis.

MESTENO NOTES.

Maggie Ward, in company with her sister, Mrs. Annie Smedley, and her niece, Miss Eldeth Ward, arrived here Saturday.

J. H. Spencer returned Saturday night from Red River Canyon, where he had been employed by M. W. Mills building a flume for his irrigation plant.

John W. Van Duyne will go to Raton Thursday to take his former position as foreman of the Gate City Lumber Co.

We would be glad to see a lumber yard at this place.

J. H. Spencer, Maggie Ward, W. H. and John Van Duyne went to Roy Tuesday on business.

Vert Van Duyne is expecting to go to Raton soon, where he expects to find employment.

S. Listenbee, section foreman, is taking a lay off. When he returns he will take his former place at Abbott, and a new man will take his place here.

Ben Hobson and Fred Van Duyne are working on the section at this place.

Miss Ward's car of goods and stock arrived this week from Galena, Kansas. It had been on the road for six days.

The fine rain Thursday night has brightened up the faces of the farmers in the valley and planting has begun again.

Maggie Ward's big store will be ready for business in a few days with a complete stock of groceries and notions.

Mesteno begins to look like a town. We hope it may have a bright future.

Mr. Sersain is going to Oklahoma soon we learn to winter and work in a store. Two of his sons are already there.

S. Listenbee will visit Denver and attend the Democratic convention before he returns and takes up his duties as foreman at Abbott.

Hon. W. H. Andrews Coming.

Mr. Andrews, the candidate for the 61st Congress is coming to Roy to meet friends.

Mr. Bushkevitz is in receipt of a letter stating that he will leave for Roswell the 3rd with Gov. Curry to attend the 4th July celebration, and will return to Santa Fe the 5th. After which he will pay us the long promised visit and will wire Mr. Bushkevitz about the exact date.

The people should all turn out to welcome our delegate, who has accomplished so much good for our people and territory. All the people who wish to meet the delegate should be in town on the day of his arrival and hear what he will have to say. There will be ball given at the Bushkevitz hall in honor of his visit to Roy.

This is the time for all good republicans and democrats to turn out and give him a grand welcome.

Hon. W. H. Andrews is a very prominent and influential person in house of representatives. He has accomplished more good than any other delegate ever sent to Washington, and if re-elected we can expect statehood in the short session of Congress, as President Roosevelt expressed a desire to sign the bill making New Mexico a State before he steps out of the Presidential chair.